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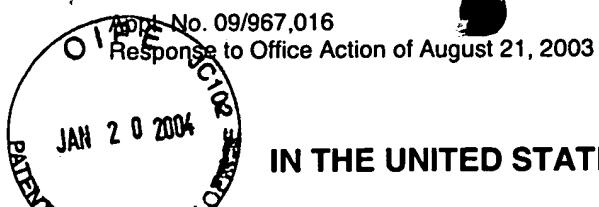
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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2003, and in accordance with the personal interview courteously granted to Applicants' representatives on November 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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Invention: GAMING DEVICE HAVING MULTIPLE AWARD ENHANCING LEVELS

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 21, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: November 21, 2003 *Date* until: January 21, 2004 *Date*

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	32 -	30 =	2	x \$18.00	\$36.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$36.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$420.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$456.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-1818



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